



A FORME

of Prayer to be publicly
vsed in Churches, during
this unseasonable Weather,
and abundance of
Raine.

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HOSEA 9.15.
*In their affliction they will
seeke me early.*

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At Morning Prayer after the 95. Psalm, **¶**
come let vs sing vnto the Lord, &c.

Read the 105. Psalm, and the 10. Psalm.

For the first Lesson, the 6. and 7. of Genesis.

For the second Lesson, the 17. of Luke, or the
24. of Matthew.

After the Collect, **¶ Lord our heavenly
Father, Almighty and euerla-
sting God, &c.** Say this Prayer.



Most gracious God,
and mercifull Fa-
ther, forasmuch as
wee are taught by
thy holy word, that Leuit. 26.
thou wilt breake the
pride of our power,
bring vpon vs burning Agues to con-
sume vs, make our hearts heauie;
And that thou wilt suffer vs to sow
our

our Seed in vaine , and breake the
 staffe of our Bread , when we despise
 thy sacred Ordinances , and walke
 stubbornly against thee : in that thou
 hast partly visited , partly threatned
 vs with thy dreadfull punishments,
 thou doest thereby graciously admo-
 nish vs of our manifold sinnes , and
 wilfull transgressions against thy
 most sacred Maiestie. Wee haue a
 long time securely slumbrd in the
 senselesenes of our iniquities , and it
 hath pleased thy Gracious goodnesse
 by these thy chastisements mercifully
 to awaken vs. Wherefore we see the
 grienousnes of our impietie , and be-
 holding it , our hearts are filled with
 sorrow , and our eyes are watered
 with penitent teares. We do humbly
 acknowledge and confesse our great
 vnthankfulness for the continuall
 multiplying of thy blessings vpon
 vs. For the more thou hast heaped
 on vs thy Mercies , the more haue we,
 wretched sinners , by our transgressi-
 ons prouoked thy Justice : and there-
 fore

fore most iustly hast thou laid thy hea-
 uie hand vpon vs, in smiting some of
 vs With a lingering sicknesse, & by vn-
 seasonable Wether menacing dearth,
 and further scarcity. These extraordi-
 narie afflictions, are infallible signes
 of thy Wrath & anger kindled against
 vs, yet because we know thee not one-
 ly to be a iust, and righteous, but like-
 wise a mercifull God in thy deare
 Sonne Iesus Christ; through his
 mediation, wee presume to prostrate
 our selues before thy Throne of
 grace, most humbly beseeching thy
 Fatherly goodnesse to wash away
 the vncleane pollutions of our sinnes
 With his precious blood, and to cast
 them into the bottome of the Sea,
 that their lowd crie may no longer
 pearce the Heauens, and thence pluck
 downe thine irefull indignation vpon
 vs: but wee being receiued into
 thy fauour, and henceforth walking
 in pietie, obedience, temperance, so-
 briety, and bringing forth fruits wor-
 thy of amendment of life, may to our
 comfort

comfort enioy thy temporall blessings in this life, and in that which is to come eternall glory, for Christ his sake our onely Aduocate and Mediatour. Amen.

¶ Then reade the Letanie, where, after the Prayer, Almighty and euerlasting God, which onely workest great marueilles, &c. say this Prayer.

O Most Omnipotent Creator, who by thine infinite power hast framed the whole world, and all things therein contained, of nothing, and out of thine vnspeakable loue towards man hast placed glorious lights in the firmament to shine vpon the earth, and to be signes for Seasons, for Dayes, and for Yeeres, & hast appointed the Heauens to shed down fruitful showres, and the earth to bring forth euery greene and liuing thing in due season: for this thine inestimable goodnesse
we

We are incessantly bound to dedicate
 our selues, our soules and bodie,
 yea, all our thoughts, and endeauors
 to be perpetuall sacrifices of thanke-
 fulnesse vnto thy holy Name, and e-
 uermore to praise and magnifie the
 riches of thy mercy towards vs. But
 wee, like a disobedient, and sinfull
 people, haue bin altogether vnmind-
 full of thy great clemencie, and made
 thy gracious blessings instruments
 of horrible ingratitude against thy di-
 uine Maiestie: abusing them to pride,
 wantonnesse, surfetting, drunken-
 nesse, and all kind of riot and excesse;
 WhereWith wee most iustly haue pro-
 uoked thy fearefull wrath, and indig-
 nation against vs. And as we by the
 multitude of our sinnes haue fre-
 quently violated thy diuine ordina-
 ces, and Statutes, so hast thou of late
 commanded the heauens, the earth,
 and the times and seasons depending
 on them, to breake and alter their
 course, so to punish vs for these
 sinnes, With an vnusuall disease, and
 With

With feare of future famine, if out of
 thy bottomlesse mercy thou stret-
 chest not out thy sauing hand to stop
 the streame of thy fury, like to be
 powdered downe vpon vs. We haue
 sinned, we haue sinned, O Lord, and
 in the immoderate showres, vnna-
 turall seasons of the yeere, and long
 lingring sicknesse continuing yet a-
 mongst vs, We haue felt the weight
 of thy heauie displeasure. But now
 from the ground of our hearts, we
 grieve and are sorry, we mourne,
 and lament for these our transgres-
 sions: Lord then let thy heauie dis-
 pleasure cease, and be no longer an-
 gry with vs. We doe vnfeinedly re-
 pent vs of all our iniquities, and
 through the gracious assistance of
 thy holy spirit doe most seriously
 purpose to turne vnto thee: Lord
 then turne vnto vs, and let the light
 of thy countenance shine vpon vs, in
 boughsasing vnto vs moderate
 showres, healthfull seasons, and the
 fruitfull increase of the earth. Blesse
 vs

vs **O** Lord, that we may blesse thee;
 giue vnto vs strength, and health,
 that we may praise thy sauing health:
 graunt vnto vs seasonable weather,
 and with it, thy plenty and aboun-
 dance, that so we may be taught to
 magnifie the abundance of thy mer-
 cies through all generations, to our
 everlasting saluation, and thy end-
 lesse honor and glory, through Iesus
 Christ our onely Lord and Saviour.
 Amen.

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At Euening prayer,

Reade the 78. Psalme, in stead of the Psalmes appointed for the day.

For the first Lesson, reade Deut. 28.

For the second Lesson, reade the Epistle of S. Iude, or, 1. Cor. 10. vnto the end of the thirteenth verse.

Before the Collect, **Lighten our darknes, &c.** reade this Prayer.

Eternall God, whose perfect holinesse being euery where present, cannot suffer the wilfull encrease of wickednes and sinne: and therefore by thy manifest and visible iudgments thou declarest vnto grieuous sinners, both the greatnesse of thine indignation, and the weightinesse of their offences: We miserable & wretched sinners, being admonished by the apparent signes of thy displeasure now vpon vs, into
what

What danger wee haue brought our
 selues by sinne, doe here humbly con-
 fesse our multiplied transgressions a-
 gainst thy diuine Maiestie, earnestly
 desiring thy singular goodnes, to re-
 spect vs with the eye of mercy, and to
 grant vnto vs vnfained repentance,
 that so the course of thy deserued an-
 ger may bee stayed against vs. **O**
Lord, we behold and acknowledge
 thy hand powring vpon vs this cha-
 stisement of immoderate raine and
 waters: and the long continuance of
 this vnseasonable weather, hath
 wrought vpon our consciences (which
 are not so sensible as they should bee)
 at length to be affrighted, and to call
 vpon thee. Saue vs therfore, **O God**,
 that we perish not: deliuer vs out of
 the mire, that we sinke not: preserve
 vs, **O Lord**, for the waters are come
 in, euen vnto the soules of many of vs.
 Let not the water flood drowne vs,
 neither let the deepe swallow vs vp:
 and let not the pit shut her mouth vpon
 vs. we confesse, **O God**, that ini-
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quitie doeth abound, that our sundry
 pollutions haue cried euen to the hea-
 uens for all thy stormes and tempests
 to fall vpon vs: but we beseech thee
 rather of thy infinite mercy to wash
 vs in the merits of thy Sonne Iesus
 Christ our Saviour: for his sake ac-
 cept our teares, our sighes, and hear-
 ty sorrow for our sinnes, and by the
 assistance of thy gracious spirit, make
 good our true purposes of amend-
 ment of life: Let thy blessed Name
 rather bee glorified in our saluation.
 Father of mercies, and God of all con-
 solation, looke vpon the signe of thy
 Couenant in the clouds, and as thou
 sauedst thy people in the red sea; so we
 beseech thee to reſtraine thy ſhowres,
 and to deliuer vs from this plague of
 waters. Furthermore, O heavenly
 Father, we doe feele that Wrath is al-
 ready gone out from thee, that thou
 doeſt threaten vs with ſcarcitie, and
 dearth: by theſe intemperate over-
 flowings to make our fruitfull land
 barren, for the wickedneſſe of them
 that

that dwell therein: Wee earnestly
 desire thee to forgive the ignorances
 of the people, that the multitude of
 poore may not perish Whome thou
 hast created. Our manifold finnes, O
 Lord, do deserue, that thou shouldest
 visit vs with all thy rodde: As thou
 hast scourged vs heretofore with pe-
 stilence, & doest now weaken vs with
 a new disease: so thou maiest more de-
 seruedly consume vs with scarcitie,
 and waste vs with death: but we flie
 vnto the Sanctuary of thy louing
 kindenesse, and the multitude of thy
 mercies towards vs, which excede
 the variety of our finnes. Remember
 thy wonted fauours to this land,
 how long thou hast giuen vs mode-
 rate raine from heauen: and fruitfull
 seasons, filling our hearts with ioy
 and gladnesse. Which blessings al-
 though we haue abused like prodigal
 sonnes, by riot, and intemperance; by
 forgetfulness and vnthankfulness, yet
 for thy goodnes receive vs when we
 turne vnto thee by the intercession of
 thy

thy only obedient Sonne, and grant vs the continuance of these temporall benefits, whereof we haue necessitie in this life, vntill wee haue passed to immortallitie, and things eternall in the life to come, by the grace and mercy of our Sauour Iesus Christ, who liueth and reigneth, &c.

Or this.



Almightie, and most merciful Father, which blest to be prouoked by offences, and yet pacified againe by repentance: which by thy punishments desirest the destruction of the sinnes, and not of the soules of thy seruants: we miserable and grieuous sinners doe beseech thee, to encline thine eares vnto our prayers, and to deliuer vs from the future calamities and afflictions, which (we haue iust cause to feare) doe now hang ouer our heades. Thou hast changed
already

already the ordinary custome of the season, and by the ouerflowing of raine and waters doest threaten to wash away the strength and fatnes of the earth; to send scarcity and want amongst vs: we humbly beseech thee to turne away this thy deserved displeasure from vs, to consider our infirmities, and vpon our sorrow and repentance to alter the sentence of seueritie, if any be gone out against vs, and that for thy tender mercy in Christ Iesus, who liueth and reigneth, &c.



